

**HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
7 JANUARY 2014**

**WORKING GROUPS UPDATE AND 2014/15 WORK PROGRAMME
Assistant Chief Executive**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the Working Groups of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel, and invites members to propose items for inclusion in the Panel's work programme for 2014/15.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

- 2.1 Notes the progress achieved to date by the Panel's Working Groups**
2.2 Determines the membership and commencement date for the review of the Brants Bridge health facility
2.3 Proposes items for inclusion in the Panel's work programme for 2014/15.

3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Francis Report

- 3.1 The review of the implications for Health O&S of the report of Francis Inquiry has been completed and the report is at item 9 of the Agenda for the Panel's consideration. The Working Group comprised Councillors Mrs McCracken (Lead Member), Mrs Angell, Angell, Baily, Kensall, Mrs Temperton, and Virgo.

The Brants Bridge Health Facility

- 3.2 The Panel's Work Programme for 2013/14 includes forming a Working Group to review the operation of the cancer and renal facilities, also the creation of the Urgent Care Centre at Brants Bridge, Bracknell. It was planned to commence this review once the Working Group on the Francis Report had concluded its work, but it was delayed further on account of the referral to the Secretary of State by RB Windsor & Maidenhead concerning the Urgent Care Centre. As that referral was unsuccessful, the way is now clear to commence the review.

Work Programme

- 3.3 To assist members' consideration of possible items for inclusion in the Panel's work programme for 2014/15, the previously completed reviews are listed on the following page, also the work programme for the current year.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED/ ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS/ EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT/ STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES / OTHER OFFICERS/ CONSULTATION – Not applicable

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Previously Completed Health Overview and Scrutiny Reviews

Date Completed	Title
November 2005	The Management of Coronary Heart Disease
July 2007	Review of Healthcare Funding
November 2007	Review of the Council's Health and Wellbeing Strategy
Annually since 2009	Annual Health Check Response to the Healthcare Commission / NHS Trusts
April 2009	Children's Centres and Extended Services in and Around Schools in Bracknell Forest
December 2009	NHS Core Standards
January 2010 (Addendum in 2011)	Review of the Bracknell Healthspace
July 2010	Preparedness for Public Health Emergencies
December 2010	Hospital Car Parking Charges (Joint East Berks Health O&S Committee)
October 2012	Major Health Reforms
November 2012	Health and Wellbeing Strategy
February 2013	'Shaping the Future' of Health Services in East Berkshire – consultation response
April 2013	NHS Trusts Quality Accounts 2011/12 (letters submitted to three Trusts)

2013-14 Health Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme**Policy development and monitoring the implementation of the major changes from the 2012 Health and Social Care Act**

To contribute to and monitor the Council's and NHS policy development, in particular:

- Completing the transfer of the Public Health responsibilities from the PCT to the Council;
- The work of the Health and Wellbeing Board;
- The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy;
- Further integration of health and social care functions (with particular focus on hospital discharge and managing long-term health conditions);
- Relationship building with Local Healthwatch, MONITOR and the Care Quality Commission.

[Panel updates]

The Brants Bridge Health Facility

Forming a Working Group to review the operation of the cancer and renal facilities, also the creation of the Urgent Care Centre.

2014/15 Budget Scrutiny

To review the Council's budget proposals for public health in 2014/15, and plans for future years.

Monitoring the performance of the NHS trusts and Clinical Commissioning Group serving Bracknell Forest

This will include: the work of the Bracknell Forest and Ascot CCG; reviewing the application of any lessons learnt from the Francis Report on the failings of the NHS and Health Overview and Scrutiny in Mid Staffordshire; the implementation of the actions from the 'Shaping The Future' consultation; delivery of the national NHS priorities set by the Department of Health; the progress of health service providers; the results of the GP Patient Survey; and the financial position of Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospitals Trust.

Responding to NHS Consultations

The Health O&S Panel is a statutory consultee for any substantial variation in NHS services affecting the Borough.